TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM HB 2265 - SB 2316

May 5, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006592): Deletes all language after the enacting clause and requires the criminal background check of new employees in adult day care centers, Department of Human Services licensing staff and all new counselors and supervisors in the Adult Protective Services (APS) program and volunteers who have unsupervised access to the adults to include a review of the vulnerable persons registry, the state's sex offender registry, and the records of perpetrators of abuse maintained by the Department of Children's Services (DCS) and the Department of Human Services (DHS). Establishes that identification on the state's sex offender registry or as a perpetrator of abuse to a vulnerable person will disqualify an individual from employment at an adult day care center or DHS. Requires background disclosure forms to include the individual's juvenile history and records and whether the individual has been on the vulnerable persons registry, the state sex offender registry, or is an identified perpetrator of abuse of vulnerable persons.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption applied to amendment:

• According to the Department of Human Services, the inclusion of these additional background checks will not result in a significant increase in expenditures. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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